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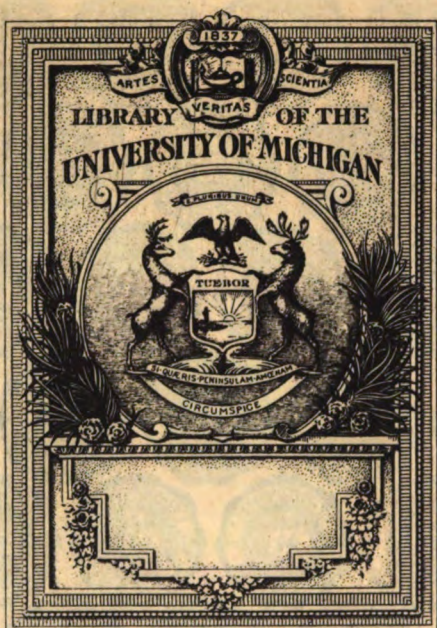
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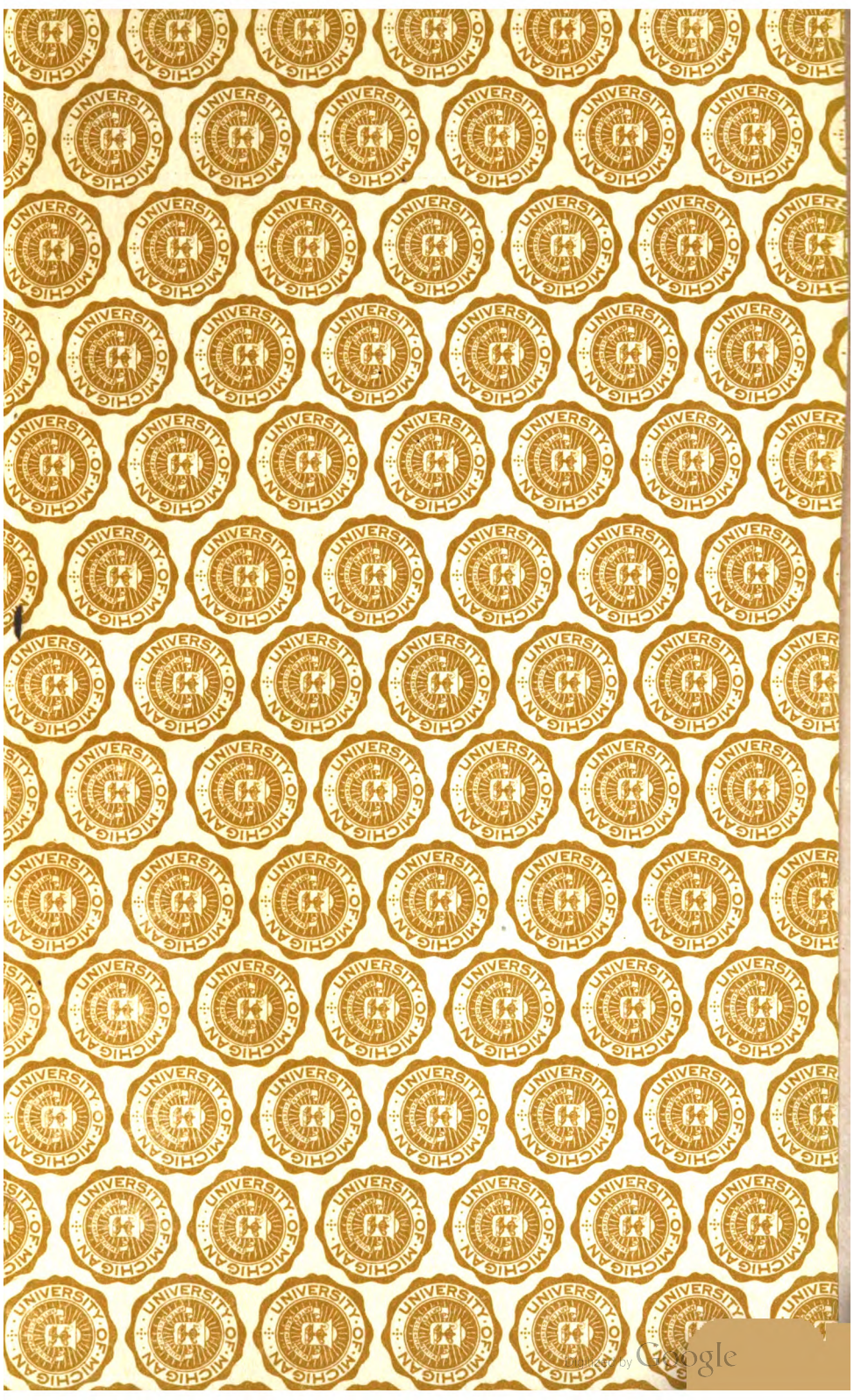
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From use, obscure and subtle, — but to know
That which before us lies in daily life,
Is the prime wisdom. — MILTON.

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A GREAT deal is said, first and last, about the "Boston aristocracy," sometimes more familiarly designated as "our first men." We hear this phrase constantly repeated in newspapers and political speeches, as well as in conversation. Yet how many of those who repeat it, have any thing but the most vague and incoherent ideas about that aristocracy of which they talk!

The present is the first attempt ever made to produce this much talked of aristocracy,—the "solid men of Boston"—*our first men*—visibly and palpably,—by name and enumeration,—rank and file,—head and tail,—in their own proper persons, before the eyes of the people; and so to give this hitherto invisible power and presence—

"A local habitation and a name."

Likely enough there will be a great outcry against it; at least in some quarters. We shall have plenty of solemn cant about the "invasions of the sanctities of private life;" as though it were one of the privileges of wealth not to be talked about, as it is of some barbarous monarchs, not to be seen; but we hold it to be the inalienable right of all Yankees to inquire into, and to thoroughly sift and examine, their neighbor's affairs; and those who have wealth must recollect that it is one of the penalties of good fortune, or distinction of any sort, to be an especial object of curiosity and public notice. If any in this list find that curiosity and notice obtrusive and troublesome, let them, in imitation of some rich men recorded in holy writ, disincumber themselves of their property; let them distribute their goods among the poor;—and we will warrant they shall forthwith sink into obscurity, and appear no more in this list.

So far from any apology being needed for this work, there are abundance of reasons why it ought to be published, and should have been long ago ; some few of which we shall mention.

In the first place, that to which allusion has been already made : the gratification of the curiosity of vast numbers ; not a mere idle curiosity, by any means ; but a liberal and reasonable curiosity. We are told and taught that all men are *born* equal ; yet they do not long stay so. When we look around us, we see a very great inequality existing : this man in a hovel—that man in a palace ; this man surrounded with every luxury that wealth can afford—that man subjected to all the sufferings and mortifications of poverty. Whence this difference ? Who are these rich men, in whose hands such a large proportion of the wealth of the community is concentrated ? and how did it get there ? Are they gods,—favorites of Heaven ? or are they mere puppets of fortune ; mortal men and women, like the rest of us ? Has their own energy and efforts made them what they are, or do they only seem tall by standing on the money-bags of their fathers ?

Those who have hitherto been obliged to admire these rich men from a distance—those who have been perpetually called upon to bow down and worship at their feet, will find comfort, consolation and assurance in perceiving that the great idol, Mammon, like the image in Nebuchadnezzar's dream, though it may have a head of gold, and arms of silver, has also a heart of brass and hands of iron ; while the feet on which it stands, are but a compound of miry clay.

It will also be an excellent thing for our rich men themselves to be put in mind of some points of their history, which they are very apt to forget. It will be well to remind them, that they were once poor themselves, or their fathers were ; and that this money which so puffs them up, and makes them feel so big, came to them through toil and labor, and close shaving, and tight economy ; and now and then, perhaps, a little cheating ; sometimes by business not very creditable ; and that, in the same way, it may come, and is every day coming to others, who are willing to use similar means to obtain it.

But there will also be advantages in this book for those who, while they can hardly pretend to be rich, are yet very unwilling to confess themselves poor.

Next to being rich themselves, it is for such persons a very delightful thing to have the reputation of being a friend and associate, or at least an acquaintance of those who are rich. How mortifying to a multitude of young Bostonians in the country, or in distant places, to be inquired of about this or that rich man of Boston, and to be obliged to confess that they know nothing about them! Whereas, by the diligent study and judicious use of this little book, they may appear very knowing, and may even be able to pass themselves off as a part of the aristocracy!

Many other things might be mentioned, if time permitted; but the uses of this book to those not enumerated in it, are too obvious to need notice. It is in fact just as essential among us, as are the numerous publications in England on the pedigree of noble and gentle families; for the rich are our aristocracy. Some persons, indeed, copying from English models, turn up their noses at the mention of a monied aristocracy; as though money was not the natural, and sooner or later, the fundamental basis of all aristocracy, all the world over. Why, even in England, it is so. There are scarcely a dozen members of the English House of Peers, who can trace back their lineage two hundred years, without coming to some money-making merchant, or lawyer, or speculator of some kind, as the head and founder of their family. And the power of wealth, which is substantial, gains every day upon that of birth, which is merely fanciful. Sir Robert Peel, the son of a cotton spinner, whose sole patent of nobility was his money, rules the whole aristocracy of England, with an absolute power which no sovereign has exercised since the time of old Queen Bess. The present lord chancellor, by virtue of his station, the head of nobility, is the son of a Boston portrait painter. England is ruled by the combined force of money and talent; and there, as elsewhere, talent is generally in the market, a thing sold and bought.

It is no derogation, then, to the Boston aristocracy, that it rests upon money. Money is something substantial. Every body knows that and feels it. Birth is a mere idea, which grows every day more and more intangible.

It should be understood, however, that in Boston, as elsewhere, this monied aristocracy is divided into two sections, the old and the

new, or with more precision, and in country terms, the two-year-old, and the yearling aristocracy.

The two-year old aristocracy, is composed of those, who either inherited money, or, if they have made it themselves, had the benefit of a certain standing in society to start with; or who, gifted by nature with a certain refinement, tact, and sense of propriety, have no difficulty in acting the part of gentlemen, though they were not born to it. It is of such that the best society of Boston is composed. There are admitted into this circle of society, many families, who in point of wealth do not come up to the limit which is the stopping place in this calendar; and on the other hand, no small number of those mentioned in it, notwithstanding large sums set against their names, are still excluded from the best society, and are wiggling, working, and tormenting themselves to death, or are tormented by their wives and daughters, at an exclusion, which, now that they are rich, distresses them quite as much as they were once distressed at the idea of being poor.

To those within this charmed circle, it appears for the most part, very delightful; and it no doubt contains many well informed, well bred, agreeable people. But to those without it looks forbidding, arrogant, cold, comfortless. It must be confessed that, Boston manners are exceedingly wanting in cordiality. Beyond mere family circles, there is very little of social heartiness.

As to the yearling aristocracy, that branch includes a number of individuals who have neither manners nor character to boast of; nothing, in fact, but their money. Vulgar, violent, robust, and hard hearted, they put one in mind of that saying of Fontenelle, "that all that is necessary for success in this world, is a good constitution and a bad heart." Many of these persons, notwithstanding the worship paid to the great god Mammon, and the glory reflected upon all those who seem to be his favorite, have yet so begrimed themselves in their struggle after wealth, and are naturally so unamiable, and their manners so gross, that though each one has his circle, larger or smaller, of dependants and "toadies," they find no admission for themselves into the two-year-old circle above alluded to. There are others, lucky fellows, and honest enough, as the world goes, but too rough and rude for fashionable drawing-

rooms; and others yet, persevering old fellows, who have grown rich by long, assiduous industry, who retain all the simple and economical habits of their childhood, snap their fingers at show and display, and who look upon fashion and its attendant extravagance with indifference, disgust, or contempt. But the children of all these, if they have any wish for it, as with few exceptions they do, if they are not engulfed in the whirlpools of dissipation, pass as a matter of course, into the two-year-old aristocracy, which indeed is principally maintained by such accessions. For, as a general rule, though some few instances to the contrary may be found in this list, wealth does not long remain in the same families, but frequently in the second, very frequently in the third, and almost always by the fourth generation, vanishes and disappears—a process which the equal distribution of the property among all the children greatly facilitates.

Boston, for its population, is one of the wealthiest cities in the world. Indeed, without reference to its population, there are very few cities in the world which can command so large an amount of capital. The foundation of this capital was the money brought out from England by the original settlers in 1630, of whom several were wealthy men. Boston became at once the chief port and place of trade for New England, and within eight or ten years from its settlement, it probably had four or five thousand inhabitants; afterwards its progress was slow, hardly keeping pace with that of the country. At the end of fifty years, however, its population was doubled, and it had perhaps fifteen or twenty merchants, worth from thirty to forty thousand dollars each. By 1720 it had perhaps fifteen thousand inhabitants, with a corresponding increase in the number and wealth of its merchants. From that time down to the adoption of the Federal Constitution, Boston remained almost stationary. Its population, by the census of 1790, was only 18,000, and probably at that time not one of its inhabitants was worth a hundred thousand dollars. Hamilton's funding system at once raised to opulence a considerable number of persons who had speculated largely in continental securities, which they had bought up for a song, and which soon rose to par. This created a capital for trade. For about twenty years, down to the em-

bargo in 1808, the navigating interest and carrying trade were very prosperous. The wealth of Boston increased rapidly, and some estates were acquired of not less than a million of dollars. The embargo and the war put a stop to this progress, but at the same time they called into existence that system of domestic manufactures which is at present the great source of its wealth. For several years after the war, foreign commerce was rather a losing business than otherwise; at the same time the manufacturers complained. Boston was strongly agitated and greatly divided by the question of tariff and free trade; yet at that time it was only a few men, and those mostly of very moderate means, who favored the protection of domestic industry. The merchants and the capitalists opposed it; they had made their money by trade, and they supposed there was no other way. The tariff, however, was adopted; the Boston capitalists went into manufactures; not only the cotton, woollen and iron works, which require a heavy outlay, were established, but the shoe business, and a great variety of manufacture which can be carried on with a very moderate capital. In the twenty years from that time, the population of Boston has doubled, while its wealth has quadrupled, and it is increasing at this moment with greater rapidity than ever. It was thought, indeed, at one time, that the want of internal communications would condemn it to a stationary, or declining condition. But the magnificent system of railroads, completed and in progress, have relieved that fear. But it was men of very moderate means who were most active and efficient in urging the adoption of that system. The wealthy capitalists came into it very slowly and reluctantly. They, however, as always happens, have reaped the chief benefit.

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A.

ADAMS, JOHN Q.

400,000

The career of this veteran politician, and Ex-President of the United States, is well known. He first went abroad with his father, John Adams, when a mere child. He afterwards graduated at Cambridge, and studied law; received a diplomatic appointment from Washington; was turned out by Jefferson; was appointed professor of rhetoric in Harvard College, where he delivered an inflated course of lectures, which have been printed; was chosen senator from Massachusetts; deserted the Federal party on the embargo question; resigned his seat at the request of the Legislature; was appointed minister to Russia by Jefferson; and a commissioner at Ghent by Madison. He became Monroe's secretary of state, much to the disappointment of Henry Clay, who expected the office. Afterwards he was president for four years. Then an unsuccessful candidate of the Anti-Masons for governor of Massachusetts, and finally and now a representative in Congress. Like his father, he has always been a prudent man, without taste for show or expense; and from his savings out of the large sums received from the United States, has accumulated a handsome fortune. He resides at Quincy, on a seat inherited from his father. His only son, Charles Francis Adams, is married to a daughter of Peter C. Brooks, and will inherit on both sides a great fortune.

Adams, Benjamin

200,000

Adams, Charles Frederick

100,000

The above are brothers, sons of a highly respectable butcher of Roxbury. The last is a member of the firm of Adams, Homer & Co., im-

porters of dry goods—of which firm the elder brother was formerly a member.

Adan, John R. 100,000

A lawyer of humble origin, and who for a long time had little business. Of late he has acquired wealth as a conveyancer, executor and trustee. He is never seen in court.

Albree, John 100,000
Merchant.

Alger, Cyrus 200,000

Iron founder—head of the South Boston Iron Company. Of great skill in his business. Has also grown rich by the rise in value of South Boston lands.

Allen, Andrew J. 100,000

Stationer. One of the first persons in Boston who made a stir in favor of railroads. Has grown rich by many years' close attention to his business; but is now, we believe, engaged in lot speculations, in the vicinity of Boston.

Amory, Charles 200,000

The Amorys are a numerous and respectable family in Boston and the vicinity, and many of them are wealthy. The above is a son of the late Thomas C. Amory. He greatly increased his inheritance by marriage with a daughter of the late Gardiner Greene.

Amory, William 100,000

Brother of the foregoing. Married a daughter of David Sears. The president of the Firemen's Insurance Company is another brother.

Amory, James 230,000

Cousin of the foregoing; son of "good" Jonathan, so called to distinguish him from another Jonathan Amory surnamed "the wicked," of whom mention will be made hereafter. The above married another daughter of the late Gardiner Greene, and hence the principal part of his wealth.

Andrews, Eben T. 350,000

An old retired merchant; formerly of the old and well known firm of Thomas & Andrews, Publishers and Booksellers.

Appleton, Samuel 1,000,000

The Appletons are a numerous family in New England, descended from Samuel Appleton, one of the first settlers of Ipswich, Mass., in 1635. A hundred years after, some of the name moved to New Ipswich, in New Hampshire, and their descendants still abound in that vicinity. There have been judges, ministers, and other people of note of the name, but the above was descended from a humbler branch of the family—his whole capital, at starting in life, being a *fourpence halfpenny* paid him by a drover, who passed his father's house with a herd of cattle, for his assistance in driving. He afterwards went to Maine, where he did as good a day's work as any other laboring man. Finally he came to Boston; got into business in the dry goods line; made mon-

ey; became an importer, and, like many others in that line of business, went into manufactures.

He has no children, but gives away more money annually than any other man in Boston, amounting to a large sum.

Appleton, Nathan 1,000,000

Brother of the foregoing, and introduced by him into business. He has written some tracts on banking and the tariff, and was chosen representative to Congress from Boston, some fifteen years since, in opposition to Henry Lee, at a time when the Free Trade party in the city was still strong. One of his daughters is married to a son of the late Sir James Mackintosh, and another to Longfellow, the poet. His son has a taste for the fine arts, and is an amateur painter. A nephew of these Appletons, son of a deceased brother, is married to the only daughter of Daniel Webster.

Appleton, William 1,000,000

Cousin of the foregoing. Like some other of our rich men, a victim to dyspepsia. He is a zealous churchman, and has lately given \$10,000 to build an Episcopal church.

Apthorp, John F. 100,000

Former president of the Boston Bank.

Armstrong, Samuel T. 200,000

Formerly a bookseller. Made a fortune out of Scott's Bible; of which great numbers have been sold throughout the United States. Mr. A. has been mayor and lieutenant governor.

Atkins, Benjamin 150,000

A retired crockery ware dealer.

Atkins, Thomas G. 100,000

Dry goods retailer.

Austin, Samuel, Jr. 250,000

Austin, Edward 100,000

These two brothers, sons of an ancient clerk in the State House, have been successful merchants.

Austin, James T. 150,000

Nephew of the famous *Honestus* Austin, formerly the great gun of the Democratic party in Boston, and son-in-law of Elbridge Gerry, a revolutionary character, chosen by the Democratic party governor of Massachusetts, and who died vice-president of the United States. Mr. A. was for many years prosecuting officer for the city of Boston, and afterwards attorney general of Massachusetts. But he was never popular, and the office was abolished to get rid of him. His claims to be considered a democrat,—though that stood him in stead, many years,—were rather hereditary than personal. He has been, of late, a zealous whig. He has lately returned from a visit to Europe. He has published the life of Gerry, his father-in-law.

B.

116 Yerm... Baker, Eliphalet 150,000

Of the firm of E. Baker & Co., importers of dry goods. He began a retailer in Washington street, not many years since, and has been very successful.

Baker, Walter 100,000

Of Dorchester. Chocolate manufacturer.

Baldwin, Aaron 100,000

An old man. President of the Washington Bank.

Bancroft, Aaron 100,000

Formerly a truckman; now a merchant.

Bancroft, George 100,000

Described in a late correspondence between some of his political friends as "a learned monkey." One of the fortunate sort; son of the late Rev. Dr. Bancroft of Worcester; a showy boy at school and college; sent to Germany; studied divinity; preached; wrote poetry; was Greek tutor at Cambridge, where he attempted some innovations, classifying his scholars according to their merits. The infant democracy rebelled against this proceeding; hissed him, scraped him, and broke his windows. His since political friend, Robert Rantoul, Jr. Esq., then one of his pupils, has the reputation of having taught his then tutor some lessons about "equal rights," through the medium of brickbats and broken glass. Mr. B. then set up the Round Hill school at Northampton; married a Miss Dwight of Springfield, by whom he received a fortune; published some translations from the German; turned politician; acted with the whigs, but soon went over to the democrats. He lost his wife; married a second fortune, the widow Bliss; published at intervals three volumes of his "History of the United States,"—rather a history of Mr. Bancroft, and his opinions and changes of opinion, than of any thing else. Was made collector of the port of Boston by Van Buren, and secretary of the navy by Polk. A pushing man, with industry and memory enough to be a good scholar, but with great talents for making himself ridiculous.

Bangs, Benjamin 100,000

Merchant. Began a retailer in Washington street.

200,000 Barnard, John M. 100,000

Distiller. The distillery business, since the temperance reform, has fallen into bad repute; and is now concentrated in the hands of a few wealthy firms, who love money and care nothing for public opinion. It has been, for more than a hundred years, a great business in Boston; and the foundation of many fortunes might be traced back to it.

200,000 Ballard, John 200,000

Retired carpet dealer.

Ballard, Joseph 150,000

Brother of the foregoing. Of the firm of Ballard & Prince, carpet dealers.

Bartlett, Sidney 100,000
 Lawyer, from the Old Colony; former partner of Chief Justice Shaw.
 A leading practitioner in the courts.

Bartlett, Thomas 100,000
 A retired druggist. A very old man.

Bates, John D. 150,000
 Merchant. He received money by his marriage with the widow Gilman, originally a Bordman, a daughter of "Beau Bill," so called. See Bordman.

Baxter, Elizabeth 100,000

Baxter, Sarah W. 100,000
 Of a South-end family. Enriched by rise in the value of real estate.

Belknap, John 200,000
 A successful merchant. Son of the late Dr. Belknap, the elegant historian of New Hampshire. He has acquired his property by his own skill and good fortune.

Bell, Joseph 100,000
 A lawyer from Haverhill, N. H., where he acquired a handsome fortune. Married an Olcott of Hanover, a noted family of that place. Rufus Choate, Esq. married another sister. Mr. Bell has removed to Boston within a few years past. His practice at the bar is limited, but he is an active member of the State Legislature. He was once the defendant in a breach of promise case.

Bigelow, Alpheus 100,000
 Lives in Weston.

Bigelow, Jacob 100,000
 An eminent physician and botanist. Formerly Rumford Professor at Cambridge, and still professor of materia medica in the Medical College.

Binney, Amos 200,000
 Amos Binney, father of the above, and his brother John Binney, were born in Hull, and were originally retail grocers in a small way. They were also warm democrats, and, as navy agents and contractors for supplies, during the war of 1812, made large fortunes. Amos Binney married his cousin, the daughter of John, and thus kept the money in the family. He has a taste for natural history, and plenty of leisure to cultivate it. His father was a zealous and influential member of the Methodist church.

Blake, Sarah 300,000
 Widow of Edward Blake, and daughter of the late Samuel Parkman. See Francis Parkman.

Blake Mrs. Joshua 100,000
 The husband of this lady was a brother of the late George Blake, well known in the political world. He began life a sea captain, and, like many others in that line, acquired a fortune—such as ship masters nowadays do not easily make. The family is from Worcester.

- Blake, Charles** 100,000
- Blanchard, Edward** 100,000
Received his property by inheritance.
- Blanchard, Noah** 100,000
Of the firm of N. Faxon & Co., shoe and leather dealers. This is a branch of business which, on any large scale, has sprung into existence within the last twenty years. At present, many heavy houses and wealthy men are engaged in it.
- Boott, Mary** 100,000
Widow of the late Kirk Boott. The Bootts were an English family, who came to Boston soon after the Revolutionary war, and were largely engaged in the importing business. Boott & Pratt [see Pratt] were partners. Kirk Boott, the son, went into the manufacturing business, and was largely concerned in the Lowell factories—the erection of the first of which he superintended.
- Bordman, Wm. H.** 100,000
Merchant; son of "Beau Bill," above referred to. Beau Bill began his career in Boston, in a very small way; but by energy and luck, acquired a fortune.
- Bordman, Lydia** 300,000
Widow of "Gentleman Bill," so called in distinction from "Beau Bill." An only daughter is married to Wm. Lawrence.
- Borland, John** 200,000
Nephew of James Lloyd, a distinguished merchant of Boston, and senator in Congress from Massachusetts, who died without children, and left his property to his nephew.
- Bourne, Ezra A.** 150,000
Came from Sandwich, on Cape Cod. Was a crockery ware dealer. Increased his property by intermarriage with the widow of Charles Thorndike. [See Thorndike, Augustus.]
- Bowditch, Nathaniel I.** 100,000
Son of the celebrated mathematician. Is a conveyancer of high reputation. Very learned in Boston land titles. Married a daughter of Ebenezer Francis.
- Bowman, Abner H.** 150,000
Distiller.
- Bradlee, Josiah** 500,000
Of the firm of Josiah Bradlee & Co., one of the wealthiest commission houses in the city. Son of a Boston tinman.
- Bradlee, Frederick H.** 300,000
Son of the foregoing. Married a daughter of Perrin May, a great heiress.
- Bradlee, John W.** 300,000
A retired wine dealer.

- Bradlee, Mary** 150,000 *6000000*
Widow of Thomas D. Bradlee, former partner of the foregoing.
- Bradlee, Samuel** 100,000 *1000000*
A retired hardware dealer.
- Brewer, Gardner** 100,000 *2100000*
Distiller. A young man, of very humble origin, who began with nothing, and has acquired a large fortune. From distilling, he has branched out into real estate, and various sorts of speculations. His brother, Dr. Brewer, is part owner of the Boston Atlas, which of course is not very favorable to the Temperance party; but the same is true of all the other large dailies.
- Brimmer, Martin** 250,000 *2500000*
Late mayor. Inherited his property from his uncle, a distinguished and successful merchant.
- Brooks, Peter C.** 4,000,000
The wealthiest man in New England. He is now very old, as very rich men are apt to be—a long time being necessary for the accumulation of a large estate, and a strong constitution being one of the requisites to a money-making character. He is a brother of the late Gov. Brooks; was born in Medford; the son of a farmer; and laid the foundation of his great estate as an insurance broker, before insurance companies came into use. He is a very large owner of real estate; and it should be mentioned to his credit, that he will not allow any of his premises to be occupied for grog-selling purposes; which is more than can be said of some other rich men, who make more pretensions to public spirit and philanthropy. He lives at Medford, but without display. His three daughters are married—one to Dr. Frothingham, of the Chauncey Street church, who has lately come out as a strenuous advocate for Unitarian orthodoxy; another to Edward Everett; and a third to Charles F. Adams, only son of John Quincy Adams. He also has four sons; one of whom, a merchant in New York, is very wealthy.
- Brooks, Edward** 200,000
Son of the foregoing; bred a lawyer; agent for his father's real estate in Boston. He has been, sometimes, a member of the State Legislature, but is too honest and plain spoken to have much success as a politician.
- Brooks, Peter C., Jr.** 200,000
Brother of the foregoing. Merchant.
- Bryant, John** 1,000,000
Of the firm of Bryant & Sturgis, who, from small beginnings, have acquired great fortunes in the trade to the Northwest Coast and to China. Any body who has ever had occasion to make change with Mr. Bryant, will not be surprised at his acquisition of a fortune.
- Bryant, John, Jr.** 150,000
Son of the foregoing.

- Bumstead, John** 100,000
Of the firm of Trott & Bumstead. Inherited a large property from his father. His mother was a sister of the late Gov. Gore.
- Burgess, Abigail B.** 300,000
Wife of the Rev. Dr. Burgess of Dedham, an Orthodox clergyman, and daughter of the late Wm. Phillips. See Phillips, Jonathan.
- Burgess, Benjamin** 150,000
Of the firm of Benjamin Burgess & Sons, India wharf
- Burnham, Thomas O. H. P.** 100,000
Antique and secondhand books. One of the few booksellers in Boston who is a man of substance. For though Boston be called the Athens of America, the booksellers, with but few exceptions, have been, on the whole, less prosperous than their brother tradesmen in other branches.
- Burroughs, George** 150,000
An old man; formerly cashier of the Union Bank.

C.

- Cabot, Samuel** 300,000
A nephew of George Cabot, president of the famous Hartford Convention; an able and successful merchant. This family originated in Beverly, and were formerly called Cobbett. Cabot sounded more aristocratic; and might, in time, lay foundation for a claim to descent from the famous navigator. The above married a daughter of Thomas H. Perkins. Mrs. Kirkland, widow of the late President Kirkland, is a sister; and Mrs. Follen, well known as an authoress, a cousin.
- Cains, Thomas** 100,000
Glass manufacturer.
- Carney, Andrew** 200,000
One of the new aristocracy; an Irishman; of the firm of Carney & Sleeper, dealers in slop clothing, Ann street. Mr. Carney obtained an interest in a fortunate contract with the government for supplying clothing for the army, made during the enormously high prices of 1836 and '37. Goods fell afterwards more than half, and the lucky contractors made a fortune. The above is now a large owner of real estate. It is fashionable for people to turn up their noses at the Irish; but within twenty or thirty years, the children of some of our present Irish fellow citizens, in very humble stations, will be among the richest people in the city. The Irish are just as good at making money as the Yankees, and a great deal better at saving it.
- Carruth, Nathan** 100,000
Lately a druggist.
- Cary, George B.** 100,000
Of the firm of Josiah Bradlee & Co. Son of an old partner in the firm.

Chadwick, Ebenezer 150,000

Has grown rich from very small beginnings. Was formerly of the firm of McLellan & Co. Increased his property by marriage with a daughter of the late John Coffin Jones. Is now largely concerned in manufacturing, and agent for the Merrimack Co.

Chapman, Henry 100,000

A retired shipchandler. Father-in-law of the famous Maria W. Chapman, well known as a chief leader among the abolitionists.

Chapman, Jonathan

Ex-mayor. Bred a lawyer. His father was a sea captain, who left some property but a numerous family. Jonathan reinforced his inheritance by marrying a Dwight, of the wealthy Springfield family. Next to Edward Everett, he is the best dinner-table orator in New England. He was chosen mayor at a trying time; and gave as much satisfaction in the difficult business of being on two sides at once as can reasonably be expected of any body.

Chase, Theodore 100,000

A merchant from Portsmouth.

Cheever, James 100,000

Of the firm of Dyar & Co., leather dealers.

Chickering, Jonas 200,000

Mr. Chickering is the famous piano manufacturer; a business carried on in Boston to a larger extent, and greater perfection, than any where else in America. He is himself an excellent musician, and has long been the leader in the concerts of the Handel and Haydn Society, the oldest musical association in Boston.

Child, Elizabeth R. 100,000

Widow of Richards Child.

Clark, Benjamin C. 100,000

Commission merchant, Commercial wharf.

Codman, John 300,000

Son of John Codman, of the old firm of Stephen & John Codman, who acquired a great property as merchants. They were formerly resident in France, where Wm. Vans was their partner. This Vans recovered a judgment there against these Codmans, which he afterwards attempted to enforce in this country against the doctor and other heirs. He applied repeatedly to the Legislature for a special act to meet his case. The Codmans alleged that even in equity, Vans had no just claim against them, and they have published a thick octavo volume to prove it, to which those curious as to the matter will do well to refer. Dr. Codman is minister of an Orthodox parish in Dorchester.

Codman, Charles R. 300,000

Brother of the foregoing.

Codman, Henry 500,000

Cousin of the foregoing, and son of the late Stephen Codman. He

increased his property by intermarriage with a daughter of "wicked" Jonathan Amory, so called from some gay adventures of his in France, when a young man. He gives a name to *Amory Hall*, which is Mr. Codman's property.

Coffin, Margaret 100,000

Cooke, Josiah P. 100,000

Lawyer. Without attaining any eminence in his profession, he has acquired a handsome property, by a long course of diligent and faithful attention to the business of his clients. But while the lawyers have multiplied, of late, with great rapidity, several former sources of their wealth have completely dried up.

Coolidge, Joseph 200,000

Son of Joseph Coolidge, deceased, who was first a goldsmith, and afterwards a partner of Samuel Parkman. The above is himself a merchant in the China trade.

Coolidge, Anna L. 100,000

A young unmarried sister of the foregoing. There are several married sisters, who will be mentioned in connection with their husbands.

Cordis, Thomas 150,000

Cotton, Joseph 100,000

Of the firm of Cotton, Hill & Co., chain cable manufacturers.

Crehore, Thomas 100,000

Formerly of Milton.

Crocker, Uriel 100,000

Of the firm of Crocker & Brewster, religious booksellers. In times past, the only profitable bookselling in New England, and still a very extensive business.

Crockett, George W. 100,000

Formerly of the firm of Crockett, Seaver & Co.

Crowninshield, Benjamin W. 500,000

Came from Salem, where he acquired a great fortune in the war of 1812, by successful privateering. The federal merchants of that day, who opposed the war, gave a strong proof of their consistency by refusing to fit out privateers. Crowninshield was a democrat, and had no such scruples. He was at one time secretary of the navy. One of his sons is married to a daughter of David Sears.

Cruft, Edward 250,000

Cunningham, Andrew 100,000

Of the firm of A. & C. Cunningham, merchants, Central wharf. Of Boston origin. His father was a merchant.

Cunningham, Charles 100,000

Brother and partner of the foregoing.

Curtis, Charles P. 100,000

Lawyer; son of a Boston merchant of the late firm of Curtis & Loring. His extensive family connection early introduced him into a lucrative and respectable business.

Curtis, Thomas B. 100,000

Of the firm of Curtis & Thompson, in the Russia trade. Brother of the foregoing. Was once a midshipman in the navy.

Cushing, John P. 2,000,000

This gentleman went formerly to Canton, in the employ of the house of Perkins, where he acquired an immense fortune. On his return, to the disappointment and astonishment of all the young fortune hunting belles in the city, who beset him like bumble bees about a lump of sugar, he married an old flame of his, a daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Gardiner. He has a fine house, with most extensive gardens and hot-houses, in Watertown, which are generously open to the public.

Cutler, Pliny 100,000

From Brookfield. Formerly a grocer. President of the Atlantic Bank.

D.

Dalton, Peter R. 100,000

Merchant on Central wharf. His father was cashier of the old U. S. Branch Bank.

Davis, John

Late judge of the U. S. District Court. Known among antiquaries as the editor of "Morton's Memorial." He came from Plymouth, or that vicinity. He is now very old, and resigned his place some years ago, which is now held by Judge Sprague.

Davis, Samuel 100,000

Davis, James 100,000

Denny, Daniel 100,000

President of the Hamilton Bank. Of the firm of Denny, Rice & Gardner, American goods, Milk street. The business in American goods, in which some of the heaviest houses in the city are now engaged, has come into existence within the last twenty years—a result of the tariff, and of the successful establishment of domestic manufactures.

Derby, Richard C. 150,000

One of the Salem Derbys. A connoisseur in the fine arts.

Derby, E. Hasket 100,000

Nephew of the foregoing. By profession, a lawyer. Though still a young man, he has acquired a fortune—not through his legal accomplishments, but by his money making talents. Is in many respects much like George Bancroft, whose flowery rhetoric he almost equals. Has been of late years a great speculator in railroads, and an active advocate of the low fare system. But his talents as a financier do not seem now to be so highly estimated as they were a few years ago.

Dexter, Franklin**100,000**

A lawyer. Son of the much more famous Samuel Dexter, who stood for years unrivalled as the most distinguished advocate in the U. States. Samuel Dexter was the founder of the Temperance Society. Franklin Dexter, in conjunction with Benj. F. Hallett, was for some time the retained counsel of the Boston liquor dealers in their resistance, thus far successful, to the enforcement of the laws of the commonwealth. Of late, he has been succeeded in that honorable and lucrative office by Daniel Webster. Passing out of the hands of the liquor dealers, he became Tyler's district attorney. He married a daughter of the late Judge Prescott, through whom he has lately inherited a fortune. He is a man of fine taste, a connoisseur in the arts, and an amateur painter of considerable merit. His grandfather was Samuel Dexter, a Boston merchant, and a benefactor of Harvard College. His great-grandfather was the Rev. Samuel Dexter, minister of Dedham. Few Boston pedigrees can compare with this.

Dixon, Thomas**100,000**

A merchant on India wharf, and Dutch consul. He was born in Holland; son, it is said, of a violinist of Flushing, not of the highest grade of art. He married a daughter of the late Benj. P. Homer. See Homer, Fitzhenry.

Dixon, Mrs. Thomas**150,000**

Wife of the foregoing. Her property is in the hands of trustees; a practice very generally adopted in Boston, within the last thirty years, in the case of married women who inherit large estates; and one which the uncertainty of mercantile wealth, not to mention other reasons, renders very judicious.

Dorr, John**150,000**

A retired merchant.

Drake, Tisdale**100,000**

Wood and lime, Sea street.

Draper, Daniel

Formerly a victualler, then a provision dealer, now a merchant. Has made money in the fruit trade. Commonly called Deacon Draper, as having been head man of Abner Kneeland's society. He is quite as fair in his dealings, not half so sharp at a bargain, and has been quite as much smiled upon in his commercial transactions, as many deacons of more orthodox churches.

Dwight, Edmund**600,000**

One of the Springfield DWIGHTS. Married a daughter of the late Samuel Eliot. He has distinguished himself by large donations to carry out Horace Mann's plan of Normal schools. The DWIGHTS originated in Dedham. Gen. Joseph DWIGHT of that town, commanded the artillery in the famous siege of Louisburg. He also served in the French war of 1756; after the conclusion of which, he settled in Berkshire County, where his descendants are still rich and influential.

E.

Earle, John Jr. 100,000
Tailor.

Eckley, David 250,000

Married another daughter of "wicked" Jonathan Amory, before mentioned, by whom he had the chief portion of his wealth. He is a son of the late Rev. Joseph Eckley, minister of the Old South.

Edmunds, J. W. 100,000

American goods, Milk St. Formerly one of the firm of A. & A. Lawrence & Co.

Edwards, Henry 100,000

From Northampton; of the family of the famous Jonathan Edwards, and himself a pillar in the Orthodox church. Lately of the firm of Edwards and Stoddard. Has recently inherited property by the death of his father-in-law, the late Samuel Dorr. Mr. Edwards spent several years in France. He is a man of activity, promptness, and business talent.

Eliot, Samuel A. 300,000

Son of the late Samuel Eliot, a wealthy merchant, whose father was a Boston bookseller. The family originated in Beverly, and are descended from a former clergyman of that town. The father founded the Eliot professorship of Greek Literature in Harvard College. Of his five daughters, three were married to Edmund Dwight, before mentioned, George Ticknor, (whom see,) and Andrews Norton, late Divinity professor in the Cambridge School, and the zealous champion of Orthodox Unitarianism. Samuel A. Eliot studied divinity, but never preached. He has been mayor of the city, and greatly distinguished himself by the reform of the fire department. He has a great taste for music; is president of the Boston Academy, and the Boston public is greatly indebted to him for the chance enjoyed of late years to hear something of music besides psalm tunes. He added to his property by marrying a daughter of the late Theodore Lyman.

F.

Fairbanks, Stephen 100,000

Of the firm of Fairbanks, Loring & Co., hardware.

Fales, Samuel 200,000

Began as shopkeeper in Washington Street. He is now President of the Union Bank.

Farley, Robert 100,000

Of the Ipswich Farleys, merchant, broker, and speculator.

Faxon, Nathaniel 150,000

Boots and shoes, N. Market St. Rose from small beginnings.

Fiske, Augustus H. 100,000

A shrewd, busy lawyer, who commences more suits than any other attorney at the Boston bar. Formerly a partner of Benjamin Rand, and now of Judge Warren.

- Fiske, Benjamin** 100,000
Formerly Fiske & Bridge.
- Frothingham, Samuel** 100,000
Late cashier of the United States Branch Bank ; now president of the State Bank.
- Fletcher, Richard** 100,000
A lawyer; came from New Hampshire. First brought himself into notice by the Warren Bridge case, which the Supreme Court of the United States decided in his favor, against the almost united opinions of the Massachusetts Bar. If the decision had been different, how would the railroads have got into the city? Mr. F. afterwards tried his hand at politics, and served in one Congress as representative from Boston, but with indifferent success. As a jury lawyer he is perhaps unequalled in the city.
- Foster, James H.** 100,000
Dealer in paper hangings. Connected by marriage with the family of John Q. Adams.
- Foster, William** 200,000
Inherited a large estate from his father. He married, in France, a niece or cousin of Gen. Moreau, the rival of Bonaparte, and served several years in the French armies. More recently, he has carried on some sharp campaigns of law with the city government, about a little strip of land in the neighborhood of Quincy Market. He was formerly a zealous member of the Free Trade party.
- Francis, Ebenezer** 700,000
Retired merchant.
- Forbes, Robert** 200,000
- Forbes, John M.** 200,000
- Forbes, Robert B.** 200,000
These are three nephews of Thomas H. Perkins, (whom see,) sons of his sister, who made their money in China, under his patronage.

G.

- Gardiner, Wm. H.** 100,000
Son of the late Rev. Dr. Gardiner, of Trinity Church, who was very zealous in his day against democracy and unitarianism. The son is a lawyer, of respectable talents, and married a daughter of Thomas H. Perkins.
- Gardner, John L.** 500,000
Son of the late S. P. Gardner, a Boston merchant. He married a daughter of the late Joseph Peabody, a very wealthy merchant of Salem, who must have inherited from her father a very large property.—He is besides a sagacious merchant, and has much money himself.
- Gardner, Henry** 250,000
- Gassett, Henry** 200,000
Formerly of the firm of Henry Gassett & Co., dry goods.

Gibbs, Miss Sarah 100,000

Of the Rhode Island Gibbs's; a sister-in-law of the late Wm. Ellery Channing, the celebrated Unitarian divine.

Gilbert, Benj. I. 100,000

Gilbert, Timothy 100,000

Piano forte manufacturer; a rival of Chickering.

Gill, Perez 100,000

A retired lumber dealer.

Gilmore, Addison 150,000

One of the most remarkable men in the list; what Carlyle would call "an heroic money maker." He began life, not many years ago, as a hand-cartman, to which presently he added, for a night occupation, the manufacture of saleratus. That led him into the distillery business, in which he made money. But that business he has since abandoned. Of late years he has been a great man for railroads. He was chosen President of the Western Railroad Company the other day, on which occasion the stock rose two or three per cent.; and in the course of two or three hours after his election he settled a quarrel with the Worcester Railroad Company, which had been pending for two or three years. He is one of those men predestined by natural constitution and temperament to grow rich.

Goddard, Nathaniel 300,000

Merchant, a large owner of wharf property at the North end.

Goddard, Jonathan 100,000

There are some men in this city who take great pains to conceal their wealth; and who, just before the annual assessment of taxes, retire into some obscure corner in the country. It is not very easy to get at the history of such men.

Goodwin, Eliza 100,000

Widow of Ozias Goodwin, sea captain.

Goodwin, Ozias 150,000

Son of the foregoing; merchant.

Gorham, Benjamin 100,000

Lawyer; son of the late Benjamin Gorham, of Charlestown, conspicuous in the history of Massachusetts. The above has repeatedly represented the city of Boston in the Congress of the United States.—He is no longer in practice.

Grant, Moses 150,000

Deacon of Brattle St. Church, of the firm of Grant & Daniell, paper merchants. His father was an upholsterer, and left him a handsome property. The deacon is one of the notabilities of Boston. He has long devoted his time and untiring industry to the public service, in a manner that evinces the possession of some of the noblest Christian virtues. He is the *primum mobile* of many charitable operations, and has been very conspicuous in the temperance cause. He has indeed been accused of a want of firmness in that matter, some years ago, at the

time Mr. Chapman was elected mayor. The friends of temperance were then very strong in the city, and made an attempt to elect a city government pledged to shut up the grog shops. Not succeeding in their first effort, their hearts failed them, and old party influences being brought to bear, a mixed ticket of temperance men and rum-sellers was elected, by the aid of temperance voters. Ever since, the liquor dealers have been triumphant in Boston, and, distrustful of the Deacon's influence in the city government, have even been able to turn him out and keep him out of his favorite seat in the Common Council, where he was a very useful member. He has not, however, abandoned the cause. They will find him "scotched, not killed," and though not skilled in the use of that strongest mode of moral suasion, the ballot box, he is still exerting an influence through a continued series of temperance exhibitions, &c., of which he is chief manager. The dropping rain wears away the stones; and the deacon, no doubt, in due time, will grind the grog-sellers to powder.

Grant, Anna P. 150,000

Widow of Patrick Grant, and a daughter of the late Jonathan Mason, from whom she inherited her property.

Gray, John C. 400,000

Gray, Francis C. 300,000

Gray, Horace 300,000

The above are brothers, sons of the late William Gray, formerly of Salem, and commonly known as "Billy Gray," who was at one time the largest ship owner in the world, but in the bad commercial times which succeeded the war, he lost much of his property. The two first named of the above brothers were educated as lawyers; but have not practised. The last is a merchant in the iron business, and all three brothers are concerned in the iron manufacture. They own the extensive iron works on the mill-dam. Billy Gray was of humble parentage, born in Lynn, and retained to the last his simple manners and frugal habits. He abandoned the federalists about the same time that John Q. Adams did, and was chosen lieutenant governor by the democrats, during the years that Gerry was governor.

Gray, John 150,000

Called for distinction "French" John Gray. He is the son of a Boston merchant, and resided a long time in France, where he acquired his property, and the prefix to his name.

Gray, Samuel C. 150,000

Gray, Francis A. 100,000

Merchants and partners; of a Medford family.

Greene, Mrs. Gardiner 200,000

Widow of late Gardiner Greene, daughter of Copley, the painter, and sister of Lord Lyndhurst, Lord Chancellor of England. Her husband left an estate of about three millions of dollars. He inherited a capital to begin with, but greatly increased his property some fifty years ago in Demarara, into which cultivation of cotton was then being introduced, by opening plantations in the swamps of that country, stocking them with negroes fresh from Africa, and then selling out at a profit.

He left seven or eight children. A considerable part of the estate is still held in trust by Judge Hubbard of the Supreme Court, who married one of the daughters now deceased. There are three other married daughters, Mrs. Charles Amory, Mrs. James Amory, and Mrs. Timmins. One of the sons resides in Connecticut, and has been the main support of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad.

Greene, Benjamin D. 100,000

Son of the foregoing, by his first wife. Bred a physician, and said to have a taste for natural history. He married a daughter of Josiah Quincy.

Greene, Sarah 250,000

Greene, Copley 250,000

Younger children of Gardiner Greene.

Greenwood, W. P. 100,000

A retired dentist, father of the late Rev. F. W. P. Greenwood.

Gore, John 100,000

Lives in Roxbury. Son of the late John Gore, and nephew of Gov. Christopher Gore.

Guild, Mrs. Benj. 100,000

A daughter of the late Samuel Eliot, (see above.) Her husband was bred a lawyer, and has been not a very successful speculator. Her property is held in trust.

H.

Hall, Jacob 100,000

A retired distiller.

Hall, Henry 100,000

Hall, Andrew T. 100,000

Formerly a crockery ware dealer; president of the Tremont Bank.

Hammond, Sarah 100,000

Widow of Samuel Hammond, who began a shoemaker, but acquired a large estate. Secretary Palfrey is a son-in-law.

Hammond, Daniel 100,000

Formerly of the firm of Cutler & Hammond.

Hancock, John 300,000

Son of Eben Hancock, and nephew of John Hancock, president of Congress, and governor of Massachusetts, whose property he has inherited.

Haskins, Ralph 100,000

A retired distiller.

Haven, Franklin 150,000

Formerly cashier, now president of the Merchants' Bank. A shrewd, sagacious financier.

- Hawes, Prince** 100,000
Of the firm of Hawes, Gray & Co., commission merchants, Central wharf.
- Hayward, Sarah** 100,000
Widow of the late Dr. Hayward.
- Hayward, George**
Physician, son of the foregoing. He inherited a handsome property from his father, and has some besides. A successful practitioner.
- Henshaw, David** 200,000
Came to Boston from Worcester county a poor boy. Having acquired a handsome property in the druggist business, he went into politics. On the occasion of the almost unanimous amalgamation of the Federal and Democratic parties of Massachusetts in support of John Q. Adams for the presidency, he was one of the very few who stood out, and furnished Nat. Greene, now and so long postmaster of Boston, with money to set up the Statesman, to advocate the claims of Crawford, the regular democratic caucus-candidate. Afterwards, with the rest of the Crawford party, he became a Jackson man, and on the triumph of that party, was rewarded with the office of collector. Almost alone of his political friends, he escaped ruin from too free access to the pet banks, and though the Commonwealth Bank failed, he did not. Tyler made him secretary of the navy, but the Senate refused to confirm him. Among other objections to his confirmation, was the arrangement, which took place under his direction, for paying the United States their claim for deposits in the Commonwealth Bank in South Boston lands, assigned to the bank by a land company, in which he also was interested, and transferred to the United States at an appraisement which some people thought a little too high. He is now deeply engaged in copper speculation on Lake Superior. He is unmarried, and resides in Leicester. A very amiable correspondence has lately been passing between him and his political friend and associate Marcus Morton.
- Henshaw, John** 100,000
Of the firm of Henshaw, Ward & Co., druggists; brother of the foregoing.
- Henshaw, Charles** 100,000
Chemist; another brother.
- Hill, David** 100,000
A retired grocer.
- Hill, George** 100,000
Dry goods dealer, Washington St.
- Holbrook, H. M.** 100,000
Of the firm of Holbrook, Carter & Co., dry goods, Kilby St.
- Homer, Fitzhenry** 150,000
Son of the late B. P. Homer, who was an insurance broker, and made a great fortune during the war of 1812, by neck-or-nothing risks, which

terminated fortunately. The old federalists regarded the war with such terror and abhorrence that they would hardly insure on any terms, and those underwriters who had the courage to take risks made an excellent business of it.

Homer, Peter T.	100,000
Of the firm of Adams, Homer & Co., dry goods importers.	
Homer, George J.	100,000
G. J. & C. W. Homer & Co., hardware.	
Hooper, Robert	100,000
President of the Boston Bank. Of the family of Marblehead Hoopers.	
Hooper, Samuel	100,000
Of the same family; a partner in the firm of Wm. Appleton & Co.	
Hooper, John	100,000
An ancient stationer of the firm of Ben. Loring & Co.	
Howe, George	200,000
Began as a retailer in Washington street; now largely interested in domestic manufactures.	
Howe, Jabez C.	150,000
Junior partner in a heavy dry goods house.	
Humphrey, Benjamin	250,000
Formerly a grocer. Has grown rich by rise in the value of property in the vicinity of Commercial street.	

I.

Inches, Henderson	200,000
A retired merchant. He inherited a large estate from his father.	
Inches, Elizabeth	100,000
Inches, Susan	100,000
Sisters of the foregoing.	
Ingersoll, James	100,000
Merchant, Central wharf.	

J.

Jackson, Charles	150,000
Formerly a judge of the Supreme Court. Originated in Newburyport.	
Jackson, James	100,000
An eminent physician, brother of the foregoing.	

Jackson, Patrick T. 100,000

Brother of the foregoing. He lost much property by unfortunate speculation in building Pemberton Square and Tremont Row, but holds several lucrative offices in connection with the Lowell Railroad and Lowell manufactories, and his judgment is highly esteemed in all practical matters.

Jarvis, Deming 100,000

Agent of the Boston and Sandwich Glass Company.

Johnson, James 300,000

An old bachelor. Of the firm of Johnson, Sewall & Co., American goods. Began with nothing. Came from Middlesex Co.

Johnson, Samuel 100,000

Of the firm of J. C. Howe & Co.

Jones, Anna P. 100,000

Daughter of the late John Coffin Jones.

Jones, Josiah M. 100,000

Jones & Brother, Fulton street.

Joy, Elizabeth 100,000

A daughter of the late Benj. Joy, from whom she inherited her property. Many of the existing fortunes in Boston have been created, without the slightest effort or participation even, on the part of the present holders, by the rise in the value of real estate, consequent on the increasing population and trade of the city. The Joy family are an illustration. Many years ago, when the painter Copley left Boston, he owned a house with some thirteen acres of land attached, covering the present site of Beacon street, Chestnut street, Mount Vernon street, and Louisburg square, now the most fashionable part of the city. It was then a rough and desolate pasture, quite out of town. Copley tried in vain to sell it. He offered it to Trumbull the painter, for a mere song. At length Benj. Joy, Harrison Gray Otis, and Jonathan Mason, clubbed together and made the purchase. Before many years it began to be apparent that they had made an excellent bargain; and Copley sent over his son, the present Lord Lyndhurst, then a young lawyer, to see if he could not pick some flaw in the conveyance. But it would not answer. The purchasers held on. They were not only expert conveyancers, but also very skilful fencers. Property at that time was little attended to in that quarter; and twenty years' possession gives a good title. Three fortunes grew out of that purchase, of which Benj. Joy's was one.

Joy, Joseph G. 100,000

Joy, Nabby 100,000

Children of Dr. Joy, brother of Benjamin, who had a mansion house and extensive grounds adjoining on Beacon street, greatly increased of late years in value.

K.

Kimball, David 100,000

Dry goods, Washington street. From Gloucester. Began with nothing. By his shrewdness and industry has acquired a large fortune.

Kingsbury, Jesse 100,000

Retired victualler.

Kuhn, George H. 100,000

Merchant, son of old Jacob, the late venerable messenger of the General Court. It is said that in old times, under the debt and depression caused by the revolutionary war, the credit of the General Court was so low, that "Jacob" had to buy wood to warm the house, at his own risk. The General Court ought to erect him a wooden statue, at the least. The son is a highly respectable man.

Kupfer, Charles F. 100,000

Formerly of the firm of Loring and Kupfer, hardware dealers; now agent of the Boston Glass Company.

L.

Lamb, Thomas 150,000

President of the Washington Insurance Co.

Lamson, John 100,000

Of the firm of Lane, Lamson & Co., importers of dry goods.

Lawrence, Amos 1,000,000

Lawrence, Abbot 2,000,000

Lawrence, Wm. 1,000,000

Perhaps no family in N. England has acquired property with greater rapidity or more uniform good fortune, than the Lawrences. Their father was a farmer in moderate circumstances, in Groton. The eldest brother (now deceased) was educated a lawyer, and practised for many years in Middlesex Co. with moderate success. Amos resolved to seek his fortune in trade. His father, by mortgaging his farm, raised a thousand dollars, to set him up in the retail dry goods business, in Washington street. Abbot presently joined him, and their success induced William to leave the plough at the age of twenty-eight, and enter the same business. Amos and Abbot presently became wholesale dealers, and afterwards importers. After the tariff of 1825, they went into the manufacturing business; and besides being largely interested in factory stocks, are now the heaviest American goods house in the country. Amos takes no active part in the business, having long been a victim to the dyspepsia, and only keeping himself alive with great difficulty. Abbot has branched off into all sorts of trade; and with his remarkable business talents, and the great capital he can command, bids fair to be the richest man in New England. He, however, is also dyspeptic, having never recovered from the effects of a bilious fever, from which he

suffered at Washington, while a representative in Congress from the city of Boston. He is a ready speaker and a good writer; and his frank and hearty manners and liberal disposition, so much in contrast to the usual Yankee demureness, and the close meanness of some other rich men, make him a general favorite. He married a daughter of the late Speaker Bigelow. Amos married the widow of President Appleton, of Bowdoin College, originally a Means, of a wealthy and noted family of Amherst, N. H. William Lawrence increased his resources by marrying a daughter of "gentleman" Bill Bordman, upon whose death lately, he came into possession of a great estate. He was long a partner of the firm of W. J. Lawrence & Stone. That firm was engaged in the woollen manufacture; and the great landed property of Hurd, the woollen manufacturer at Lowell, came into their possession, some fifteen years ago, much against their will at the time, in payment of a debt of \$60,000. The woollen business was at times in a very bad way; but through the aid of William's father-in-law the firm held out, and the increase in the value of their landed property at Lowell has made them all rich. Samuel Lawrence, a fifth and the youngest brother, a partner in the present firm of Lawrence & Stone, from which William has now retired, is also a wealthy man. He resides in Lowell.

Little, Charles C. 100,000

Of the firm of Little and Brown, one of our heaviest publishing and bookselling establishments.

Littlehale, Sargent S. 100,000

Came from Gloucester. Began life in a very humble condition. Has acquired a fortune in the West India goods business.

Lodge, Giles 200,000

Merchant. An Englishman by birth.

Lord, Melvin 100,000

Of the late firm of Richardson & Lord, booksellers.

Loring, Caleb 100,000

A retired merchant. Of the late firm of Loring and Curtis. Father of a numerous family of lawyers.

Loring, Charles G. 100,000

A lawyer in extensive practice, and son of the foregoing. He has the reputation of being one of the very few *honest lawyers* in Boston.

Loring, Elijah 300,000

Wharfinger of Long wharf.

Loring, Benjamin 200,000

Stationer, State street.

Loring, Henry 100,000

Of the firm of Fairbanks & Loring.

Loring, Ellis Gray 100,000

Lawyer. Master in chancery. Inherited some property and acquired more by his business, chiefly as a conveyancer, and by judicious investments in land. Once known as an active leader in the anti-slavery movement.

Loring, John F. 100,000

Lovering, Joseph 200,000

Lowell, Rev. Charles 150,000

Minister of the West Church (Unitarian). Son of John Lowell, an eminent lawyer and judge of the U. S. District Court of Massachusetts. The father of John Lowell was minister of Newbury. Many of the wealthiest and most respectable families in Boston and New England, can trace back their origin to Congregational clergymen, who formerly constituted a sort of sacerdotal nobility. The Lowells were an ancient Newbury family, descended from Percival Lowell, one of the early settlers of that town.

The Rev. Charles Lowell resides at Cambridge. He is father to Lowell the poet.

Lowell, Francis C. 100,000

Actuary to the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co.; son of Francis C. Lowell, deceased, who was a brother to the foregoing. Francis C. Lowell, the father, was a man of talent and enterprise, and first projected the factories at Lowell, so named after him. He left another son, John Lowell, Jr., who married a daughter of "wicked" Jonathan Amory. The wife having died, and also her infant children, the father inherited the property as their heir, and dying, founded and endowed the "Lowell Institute," a useful institution.

Lowell, John A. 300,000

Cousin of the foregoing, and son of John Lowell, another deceased brother of the Rev. Charles Lowell, a man of great ability and public spirit. John Lowell was made, by the will of his nephew, John Lowell, Jr., first curator of the Lowell Institute, with power to appoint a successor, and he appointed the above, his son. He is also agent for several of the Lowell factories.

Lyman, George W. 300,000

President of the Lowell Railroad Company; son of the late Theodore Lyman, who, years ago, came from York, down east, where his father was minister, on board a wood sloop, to seek his fortune in Boston. Presently he found it, and acquired a large fortune in the China trade. Mrs. Lyman is a daughter of the late Wm. Pratt, from whom she must have inherited a large property.

Lyman, Theodore 150,000

Brother of the foregoing; ex-mayor, and author of two volumes on American diplomacy.

Lyman, Charles 100,000

Another brother.

Lyman, Joseph, Jr.

Of the Northampton Lymans. Married a daughter of the late Joseph Coolidge.

M.

Mackay, Frances	100,000
Mackay, Caroline	100,000
Mackay, W. H.	100,000
Mackay, R. C.	100,000
Son of the late Wm. Mackay, city treasurer ; a very shrewd and successful merchant.	
Marett, Philip	100,000
Formerly cashier, now president of the New England Bank.	
Mason, Wm. P.	150,000
Educated a lawyer ; son of Jonathan Mason, formerly representative from Boston, and one of those who betrayed the interests and wishes of the North on the Missouri question, and thereby lost his seat and his political standing. For the origin of his property, of which his son inherited a portion, see Joy, Benjamin. His numerous daughters, married into several of the principal families of the city, are mentioned in connection with their husbands.	
Mason, Jeremiah	100,000
For many years a resident of Portsmouth, N. H., and a leading lawyer there, and head of the old Federal party. His wife was a Means, sister to the wife of Amos Lawrence. Jeremiah Mason was the tallest man in New Hampshire, not in law only, but in stature also. He is now very old.	
May, Samuel	500,000
Dealer in metals.	
May, George	300,000
Nephew of the foregoing ; son of the late Perrin May.	
Minot, William	100,000
Lawyer.	
Morey, George	100,000
Lawyer. Both the foregoing have acquired fortunes by diligent attention to their profession, and fidelity to those who have entrusted business in their hands.	
Moseley, David C.	150,000
A retired saddler.	

N.

Nichols, Lawrence	100,000
Confectioner.	
Nichols, Benj. R.	100,000
Lawyer, from Salem. He acts principally as conveyancer and chamber-council—a branch of the profession more lucrative and less wearing, though not so brilliant, as that of advocate.	

Niles, W. J. 100,000
Stable keeper.

Noble, Joseph 100,000
Of the firm of Noble & Sturtevant, commission merchants, City wharf.

O.

Odin, George 200,000
On old bachelor. A retired hardware dealer.

Oliver, Henry J. 100,000

Otis, Harrison Gray 800,000

The progenitor of the Otises was John Otis, one of the first settlers of Hingham; perhaps a bucket-maker—nobody knows. At all events, Hingham is, and always was, a famous place for buckets. John Otis, his son, removed to Barnstable, where he became colonel, judge, provincial counsellor, and in fine, the great man of the county. His son James, also colonel and judge, was very much disappointed at being refused by Governor Bernard a seat on the bench, promised him by a preceeding governor; and this was the secret, if we may believe Hutchinson, of the flaming patriotism, not only of Colonel Otis, but of his son James, the famous orator, and the chief pride and ornament of the Otis family. John Q. Adams has justly observed, that should any considerable portion of the secret and personal history of the revolution ever come to light, the motives by which individuals were impelled, will often be found very different from those which acted on the masses. Whatever might be the origin of Colonel James Otis' patriotism, besides his son James, the orator, and his daughter, Mercy Warren, the female historian of the revolution, he had two sons, Joseph, and Samuel Allyne Otis. This latter was for many years secretary to the Senate of the United States, which place he held, through all the fluctuations of party, till his death in 1814. Harrison Gray Otis was his son: his mother being a daughter of Harrison Gray, the tory treasurer of Massachusetts, who left the province with the royal troops. Harrison Gray Otis began life a lawyer, with little other resource than his talent, eloquence, and capacity for business; all of which were conspicuous. A fortunate speculation, which laid the foundation of his great estate, has been already noticed. (See Joy, Benjamin.) He married a sister of Wm. Foster (whom see) and received money with her. He was for many years a great gun of the Federal party; and was forced, it is said, much against his will, into the Hartford convention, which resulted in his political annihilation. He has had the honor of having, for daughters-in-law, some of the most accomplished and beautiful women in America. Mrs. Wm. F. Otis, (once the famous Miss Marshall,) no longer, alas! delights all eyes and charms all hearts; but Mrs. Harrison Gray Otis, Jr., (daughter of "Beau" Bill Bordman,) still reigns and rules in elegant society. The wife of another son was a celebrated Providence beauty.

P.

Palmer, Simeon 100,000
Tailor.

Paige, James W. 100,000

Half brother to Daniel Webster's first wife. He married a daughter of Stephen White, formerly of Salem, and is thus brother-in-law to Daniel Webster's eldest son. He is a partner in the firm of James W. Paige & Co., in the American goods business. Samuel A. Appleton, who married Daniel Webster's only daughter, is another partner. Nathan Appleton furnishes the capital, and makes this one of the heaviest houses in the city.

Parks, Elisha 100,000

Of the firm of Parks, Baldwin & Parks, dry goods.

Parker, James 700,000

Parker, Peter 700,000

Parker, Charles 700,000

The above are sons of old John Parker, who died a few years since, leaving one of the largest estates ever accumulated in New England. He first grew rich (and several other fortunes in this list had the same beginning) by buying up continental securities, some sixty years ago, when at a great discount. To the amount thus realized, were added the earnings and savings of a life unusually long. The old gentleman was very scrupulous upon one point. Even in times when money commanded two or three per cent. a month, he would never take more than legal interest. A large slice of this estate is still held in trust for various purposes.

Parker, Mrs. John 100,000

Widow of John Parker, brother of the foregoing ; born a Sargent.

Parker, Sam. D. 100,000

Son of the Rev. Dr. Parker, rector of Trinity church and afterwards bishop of Massachusetts. Dr. Parker was the only Episcopal clergyman in the State who did not desert his charge during the revolutionary war. Sam. D. Parker married a daughter of Jonathan Mason, but from some transactions in which he was involved, when a young man, notwithstanding his ability and remarkable endowments for success as a lawyer, he lost caste, and was for many years Old Bailey advocate general to all the rogues and vagabonds of the city. Finally, he was appointed prosecuting attorney for the city of Boston, in which laborious office he has acquitted himself with distinguished success, turning to good account the experience of his former professional life.

Parker, Daniel P. 200,000

Came to Boston a poor boy, and has carved his own fortune.

Parkman, Francis, D. D. 200,000

Minister of the New North Church (Unitarian); son of the late Samuel Parkman, a very wealthy merchant.

- Parkman, George** 500,000
 Brother of the foregoing. Bred a physician, but practises as a speculator in real estate. He owns a vast many cheap built tenements, let at high rents; and as he is his own rent collector, and keeps no horse, he may be seen at almost any hour moving rapidly through the city. To judge from the expression of his face—so deceptive is physiognomy—he might be mistaken for a man without a sixpence; yet many a poor family has partaken of his unostentatious beneficence, which, perhaps, he will not thank us for proclaiming. He has lately given a site for a new medical college.
- Parkman, Mary B.** 100,000
 A daughter of the late Jonathan Mason, the divorced wife of Samuel Parkman, eldest brother of the foregoing, who left the country years ago, charged with certain forgeries, and now resides in Italy.
- Parsons, Theophilus** 100,000
 Son of the late Chief Justice of that name, a distinguished jurist, whose decisions as contained in the Massachusetts reports, are the basis of our present system of jurisprudence. He was also a great wit, and a leading federal politician. The son is also a lawyer. He is a chief pillar of the Swedenborgian or New Jerusalem Church, and has lately published a book of essays on that subject. He is also a principal proprietor of the Boston Daily Advertiser, a very profitable piece of property.
- Parsons, William** 150,000
 Brother of the foregoing, and president of the Massachusetts Bank. He inherited the property of his uncle William, a successful merchant. The father of Chief Justice Parsons was Moses Parsons, minister of Byfield. Judge Parsons practised law for many years at Newburyport, and was a chief leader of the famous Essex junto.
- Patterson, Enoch** 100,000
 Ex-landlord of the Eastern Hotel, and ex-superintendent of streets.
- Peabody, Louisa** 100,000
 Daughter of Judge Putnam, and widow of Augustus Peabody, eldest son of the late Joseph Peabody, of Salem.
- Pearson, John H.** 100,000
 Merchant, Foster's wharf.
- Peck, Abel G.** 100,000
 Dry goods, Milk street.
- Pierce, Silas** 100,000
 Grocer.
- Perkins, Thos. H.** 1,500,000
 Formerly known as "Long Tom" Perkins. The above, and his brother, James Perkins, deceased, were the sons of James Perkins, a respectable hatter of Boston. A sister is the wife of Benjamin Abbott, LL. D., of Exeter, N. H., long so distinguished as the head of the Academy there. Another sister was Mrs. Forbes, whose children

have been already mentioned. James Perkins in early life was a merchant in St. Domingo, but was driven away by a revolt of the slaves.—He returned to Boston, and in conjunction with his brother above named, acquired a very large fortune in the trade to China and the Northwest Coast. He was a benefactor of the Boston Athenæum and Harvard College. Thomas H. Perkins has given a valuable estate to the Asylum for the Blind. He is now quite old, and has long retired from business. One of his daughters is married to Thomas G. Cary; another to William H. Gardiner. He resides chiefly in Brookline.

Perkins, Thomas H., Jr. 300,000

Son of the above. Was formerly in the China trade, but has also retired from it.

Perkins, Anna D. 300,000

Perrin; Payson 100,000

Phelps, Abel 100,000

Has rapidly acquired a fortune in the brandy trade. Has been a chief head of the liquor selling party in Boston, and a very active member of the whig party, which, by his zeal and authority, he has contrived to keep subservient to the liquor selling interest, or at least neutral. The resistance of the liquor sellers to the enforcement of the law has been entirely successful. Liquor is now freely and openly sold throughout the city, and grog shops are to be found at every corner. Some twenty or thirty rich liquor sellers, backed by a few hundred keepers of grog shops and about as many drunkards, have proved more than a match for all the orthodox church members and all the "moral" Unitarians and Universalists in the city of Boston. Verily, "the children of this world are wiser in their generation," not to say more honest and sincere, "than the children of light." The Washingtonians confine their labors to the humane care of the fallen, whose wounds they bind up, and whom they strive to reform. They leave the enforcement of the law to those to whom it belongs—the men of wealth, influence and station. The slave trade was once freely carried on from Boston, by men who held up their heads and had a decent standing in society. We may, perhaps, be able to say the same, one of these days, of the still more diabolical liquor trade. Indeed, very few decent persons are now willing openly to engage in it. Hence those less scrupulous have found it a short road to wealth. The wholesale dealers are generally supposed to understand the "art of mixing and compounding," as well as the retailers.

Phillips, Jonathan 800,000

Son of the late Lieutenant Gov. William Phillips, who was grandson of Samuel Phillips, minister of Andover, whose grandfather was Samuel Phillips, minister of Rowley. The descendants of Samuel Phillips, of Andover, were very successful in trade, and have been great public benefactors. Two sons of his endowed the Academy at Andover, and one of the same sons was the sole patron of the well endowed Academy at Exeter, N. H. A great-grandson of Samuel Phillips, cousin of the above Jonathan, united with his mother and Samuel Abbott of Andover, in endowing the Andover Theological Seminary, since greatly enriched by donations from other quarters. Wm. Phillips also left large sums for charitable purposes.

The above, like several other of our wealthiest men, is a victim of dyspepsia, and—such is the vanity of wealth—suffers at times with the dread of coming to want. His mother was one of the numerous daughters of the late Jonathan Mason.

Phillips, Edward B. 300,000

A young man just come of age, nephew of the above. He inherits a great estate from his father and grandfather.

Phillips, Sally 100,000

Widow of John Phillips, first mayor of Boston. He was grandson of a Boston merchant, brother of Samuel Phillips, minister of Andover, mentioned above. He left a numerous family, one of whom is Wendell Phillips, the famous abolition orator. Besides his paternal inheritance, Wendell Phillips had money by his wife.

Piper, Solomon 100,000
Woodwharf.

Pratt, Mrs. Mary }
Pratt, Nancy } 800,000
Pratt, Sarah }
Pratt, Mary }

The above are the widow and daughters of William Pratt, recently deceased, who was an Englishman by birth, but long a merchant in Boston, of the firm of Boott & Pratt.

Pratt, George W. 100,000

Son of the abovementioned William Pratt. Is a stock broker, and has had his ups and downs.

Pratt, George 100,000
Merchant.

Prescott, Wm. H. 100,000

The historian of "Ferdinand and Isabella," and of the "Conquest of Mexico." He is a son of the late Wm. Prescott, from whom he has lately inherited a fortune, and grandson of Col. Prescott, who commanded the Yankee troops at Bunker Hill. He also received property with his wife, who was an Amory. Mr. Prescott, from an accident in his college, has but very imperfect use of his eyesight, and has been obliged to rely in his studies very much upon the eyes of other people. This makes his achievements in the historical line very remarkable.

Putnam, Catharine, Miss 100,000
Daughter of the late Jesse Putnam.

Q.

Quincy, Josiah 300,000

The Quincys are an ancient family. The progenitor, Edmund Quincy, came to Boston with the famous John Cotton, and was one of the first grantees of Braintree. He was not, however, one of the

gentility of that day, for his name has no prefix of *Mr.*, then the exclusive right of "gentlemen." His son Edmund (for he died early) was probably one of those people of mean condition, who, as Winthrop complains in his journal, grew rich, while most of the original "gentlemen" saw their estates crumble away. At all events, he became lieutenant colonel, in those days no mean honor, and married a daughter of Gookin, superintendent and historian of the converted Indians, and one of "the magistrates." His son, Edmund, was a judge and councillor, and was sent to London as agent for Massachusetts, in the boundary quarrel with New Hampshire. He died, however, before the matter was settled, and New Hampshire beat us entirely in that controversy. His son Josiah was a merchant, and his son, Josiah Jr., was a lawyer of eloquence and talent, a contemporary of John Adams, whose wife also was descended, on the mother's side, from the second Edmund Quincy. Josiah Quincy Jr. went to England as agent for the patriots, but died on his return, just after the battle of Lexington, at the age of 31, leaving an only son, whose name stands at the head of this article, and whose mother was a Phillips, aunt of the present Jopathan Phillips. The present Josiah Quincy, now an old man, has been very active in his day. He was a most zealous federalist, and prior to the war, represented the town of Boston in the Congress of the United States. His violent speeches and perpetual taunts have been supposed by some to have stimulated the administration of that day into a declaration of war, against their original intentions. He was the second mayor of the city of Boston, which office he exercised very energetically, becoming the originator of many improvements.—Of late years he has been president of Harvard College, which situation he has recently resigned. His wealth has been increased by inheritances and rise in the value of property.

Quincy, Josiah, Jr. 400,000

Son of the foregoing; now mayor of Boston. He married a lady of property, and has held many lucrative trusts and guardianships, by which he has accumulated a large fortune. He is a desperate punster, of which gift he is not a little proud, and which he exercises freely at all public dinners. Of unimpeachable integrity, affable manners and fluent speech, he has been much in public life.

R.

Reed, Benj. T. 100,000

President of the Eastern Railroad and of the Shawmut Bank. One of the Marblehead Reeds.

Revere, Joseph W. 100,000

A coppersmith on a large scale. His father was an active patriot in the revolutionary times.

Richards, Reuben 150,000

Dealer in metals, South Market street.

Richardson, Jeffrey 150,000

Of the firm of J. Richardson & Brothers, iron merchants.

Richardson, James B. 100,000
 Brother and partner to the last named.

Robbins, Edward H. 200,000
 Son of Lieutenant Governor Robbins, of Milton. Educated a doctor, but born a speculator. After many ups and downs, he has come out rich at last.

Rogers, Henry B. 100,000
 Educated a lawyer. Son of the late Danl. D. Rogers, from whom he inherited his property.

Russell, Nathaniel P. 250,000
 His property, made as an insurance broker, was increased by marriage with a daughter of the late Samuel Hammond. Another daughter is Mrs. Palfrey, wife of the Rev. John G. Palfrey, D. D., secretary of state, and late head of the Theological School at Cambridge.

S.

Salisbury, Samuel 150,000
 The Salisburys are a Worcester family.

Sanford, Samuel 300,000
 Retired merchant.

Sargent, Lucius Manlius 150,000
 The author of the "Temperance Tales," which had quite a run a few years ago; and ridiculously called by somebody, "the Walter Scott of the temperance reform." Besides property inherited from his father, he had money by both his wives; one of whom was a Binney, of Philadelphia, the other a Miss Dunn, of Boston. The Sargents originated in Gloucester. Col. Henry Sargent, the painter, was a brother.

Sargent, Ignatius 300,000
 President of the Globe Bank. Nephew of the preceding.

Savage, James 150,000
 Bred a lawyer. Traces his descent from the famous Mrs. Hutchinson, the female theologian who made such a stir in the early days of the Massachusetts Colony. Mr. Savage is well known as an antiquary, and has published an edition of Winthrop's "Journal," the chief authority for the early history of Massachusetts, with valuable notes. He managed also, for many years, and with great success, the Boston Savings Bank.

His wife, the widow of Dr. Lincoln, a son of Gen. Lincoln, of the revolutionary army, became entitled, through her first husband, to a Demarara sugar plantation, to which he became entitled by his brother's will, he having run away from a boarding school, with the heiress of it, and, with his wife, dying of the fever of the country shortly after taking possession; having first, however, made a will in favor of his brother. The possession of this estate was long litigated in the courts of that country; but at length, through Mr. Savage's perseverance, possession was obtained, and it became the chief source of his wealth—no doubt greatly increased by judicious investment.

Sawyer, Wm.

250,000

Bred a physician. Son of the late Dr. Sawyer, of Newburyport.

Sawyer, Matthias P.

200,000

Made a fortune by speculating in Eastern lands: one of the very few persons who ever realised any thing out of that affair—the most remarkable epidemic by which New England was ever afflicted, and which seemed to select its victims among those especially renowned for their prudence; men who, by a long life of great industry, had laid up handsome competencies. There is hardly a considerable village in New England, which did not suffer by that speculation. Among so many losers every where to be seen, it is a curious question what has become of the money. Where are the winners? Here is one, and the only one, almost, we ever heard of.

Sayles, Willard

200,000

Of the firm of Sayles, Merriam & Brewer, domestic goods.

Sears, David

1,500,000

The above, the only son of David Sears, a successful merchant, inherited \$800,000 from his father—the largest amount ever inherited in New England by a single individual. He also received property by his wife, who was a daughter of the late Jonathan Mason. He has been largely interested as a stockholder in manufacturing companies. During the manufacturing crisis of 1829, when the law of the personal responsibility of the members of manufacturing corporations was in force, a law that toppled down many fortunes, things looked doubtful even for Mr. Sears. But that time has long since passed. He has a numerous family. The case of Madame d'Hautville, one of his daughters, has brought into discussion a great question of domestic law. Her marriage, though it seemed to ally the family with European nobility, proved unhappy. The young wife could not live in the gloom of an old tumble-down Swiss castle with an austere Calvinist of a husband; and taking advantage of a clause in her marriage contract, she came home to visit her parents. A child was born here: after which she declined to return to her husband. He came over, claiming wife and child, and invoking the aid of the law. The law said that the child was his; but all the women said, and all human hearts said, the child was the mother's. However, it was not thought safe to trust our courts in the business. The child and mother were found by the husband in Philadelphia; and though by the decision of the court there, which our lawyers greatly growled at, they escaped for the time, it was judged best to retire to New Hampshire. A special statute was enacted by the Legislature of that democratic State, that so hates gold and rich men, no doubt by an *incorruptible* Legislature, out of pure chivalrous sympathy for female distresses. By that statute the husband is incapacitated from claiming his child, on the ground that he is an alien.

We had almost forgot to mention that David Sears most gallantly serves his country in the dusty field, as captain of the Cadets, braving all extremities of frost and rain, that the Governor and the General Court may be safely escorted, on their perilous march from the State House to the Old South, to hear the annual election sermon. The Cadets consist, principally, of young sprigs of nobility; and the patriotic and high-souled endurance, by them and their commander, of all the extremities of wind and weather, in this arduous service, never can be enough commended.

Shattuck, George C. 500,000

A physician; the son of a farmer; originated in Templeton, Worcester Co., or in that vicinity; married a Miss Derby, by whom he received a handsome property—to which he has added, by a very extensive medical practice, (to which he has devoted himself with the greatest assiduity,) and also by judicious investments. He has a decided talent for the accumulation of property; and though without any taste for show and expense, is liberal in his hospitalities, and especially generous to his indigent patients.

Shattuck, George C., Jr. 100,000

Only child of the foregoing; also bred a physician, and engaged in the practice. Besides a large property inherited from his grandmother and sister, he has the whole of his father's estate in anticipation. He married a Baltimore lady.

Shaw, Robert G. 1,000,000

Senior partner of one of the wealthiest and largest commercial houses in the city. He obtained his capital to begin upon, by marriage with a daughter of old Sam. Parkman. Of late he has made heavy and very successful investments in real estate. His children do not all of them conform exactly to his notions of aristocratic propriety, nor seem to be entirely persuaded that the great art and duty of life is to make money and to keep it. One of them is an "Associationist," a great friend and supporter of the Brook Farm Phalanx; another has recently adopted the Catholic religion, and has gone to Rome to prepare himself for the duties of a missionary priest; a third, an accomplished and much admired lady, has recently married a son of Nat. Greene, the postmaster of Boston, a Unitarian minister, recently settled at Brookfield, and, to the horror and admiration of all her Boston acquaintance, lives without servants and does her own work!

Shaw, Lemuel 100,000

Chief Justice of Massachusetts.

Shelton, Mrs. Philo 150,000

A daughter of the late B. P. Homer. See Fitzhenry Homer.

Shimmin, Mrs. William 400,000

A daughter of the late John Parker. See Parker, James.

Shurtleff, Benjamin 200,000

Bred a physician. Was largely engaged in speculations in Illinois lands, by which he is said to have made money.

Shurtleff, Samuel A. 100,000

Brother of the foregoing; also bred a physician. Lives in Brooklyn.

Sigourney, Henry 400,000

Of Boston origin. A retired merchant. Has acquired his property by his own industry and mercantile success.

Simmons, John 100,000

Another of our rich wholesale clothes dealers.

Skinner, Francis 300,000

Head of one of the largest American goods houses in the city. Is still a young man. Has been among the most successful of our merchants.

Smith, Ebenezer	200,000
A speculator in mill-pond lands.	
Smith, Henry B.	100,000
Bred a lawyer. Son and heir of Barney Smith, of Milton.	
Sohier, Wm. D.	100,000
A lawyer. Has gradually acquired a fortune by a long course of respectable chamber business.	
Sohier, ~~Wm. D.~~ Edward S.	100,000
Son of the foregoing; also a lawyer, and a practitioner in the courts. Received property by his wife, who was a daughter of the late Thomas C. Amory.	
Sprague, Phineas	100,000
Merchant, Commercial wharf.	
Stearns, John	150,000
Stedman, Josiah	150,000
A retired W. I. goods retailer.	
Stickney, Josiah	150,000
President of the Market Bank.	
Stone, W. W.	200,000
A partner in the firm of Lawrence & Stone, largely engaged in manufacturing in Lowell. Mr. Stone is a great pillar of the Orthodox Congregational church.	
Stone, Henry B.	100,000
Brother of the foregoing. President of the Suffolk Bank.	
Stone, Daniel P.	100,000
Dry goods, Kilby street.	
Story, W. W.	100,000
A young lawyer; son of the late eminent Judge Story, by whose death he comes into possession of a large estate. Under his father's auspices, he published a law book. Left to himself—if his money does not make him lazy, luxurious, and good for nothing, as it has so many other promising young men—he will be apt to devote his attention to poetry and the fine arts, for which he has a decided aptitude.	
Swett, Samuel	150,000
Son of Dr. Swett, of Newburyport. He married a daughter of Billy Gray, and also received property from the estate of his late brother, Wm. B. Swett.	
Swett, Elizabeth B.	100,000
A daughter of the late Joseph Coolidge, and widow of Tascar Swett, brother of the foregoing.	
Swett, Tascar, heirs.	200,000
Children of the foregoing. One of the young ladies is just married to a son of Lucius Manlius Sargent.	

T.

Tappan, John 200,000

These Tappans are a remarkable family. They came from Connecticut River. Arthur Tappan, of New York, in the silk goods business, was once a millionaire, and made himself famous by his religious zeal, and the great sums he gave for religious purposes, and still more so by his large donations to the Anti-slavery society. He went down in the great crash of 1837-40, in consequence of the great amounts due him in the South, and never paid. His brother, Lewis Tappan, also of New York, formerly of Boston, made a great noise, years ago, by quitting the Unitarians, for whom he had been very zealous, and going over to the Orthodox. He is a restless, busy person, of the stormy petrel genus. Benjamin Tappan, late United States senator from Ohio, seems to differ from the rest of the family, in being a radical, and not much of a believer in religion; while all the other brothers are very conservative and very pious. John Tappan is the only one of the four brothers in Boston and New York who has succeeded in keeping his property.

Taylor, Hannah J. 200,000

Widow of William Taylor, and sister of John Welles.

Taylor, William, heirs. 200,000

Children of the foregoing.

Templeton, John 150,000

Has made a fortune by the manufacture of marble fireplaces.

Thatcher, George C. 100,000

Iron founder.

Thaxter, Adam W. 100,000

President of the Mechanics' Mutual Insurance Company.

Thaxter, Adam W., Jr. 100,000

Partner in the firm of Bates & Co.

Thayer, Geo. W. 100,000

Cashier of the Leather Dealers' Bank.

Thayer, John A. 300,000

A broker of considerable celebrity on 'change, where he has had great opportunities of operating to advantage, through the large capital of his father-in-law, Ebenezer Francis. He is son of the Rev. Dr. Thayer, of Lancaster; a sharp fellow.

Thayer, Joel 100,000

A retired West India goods dealer.

Thompson, Mrs. Thomas }
Thompson, Thomas } 300,000
Thompson, Miss }

The above are the widow and two children of the late Thomas Thompson, who came originally from Nantucket, of a Quaker family, we believe, and acquired a large fortune. Thomas Thompson, the son,

studied divinity, but did not preach. He favored the public with his poetical effusions in the newspapers under the signature of Osorio. Like other poets, he is an admirer of female beauty, and was lately the hero of quite a romantic marriage.

Thorndike, Augustus 500,000

Son of Israel Thorndike, who died a few years ago, leaving a very large estate. The father was from Beverly, originally a cooper, and afterwards, during the revolutionary war, was a privateersman. Having accumulated a small capital he went into trade, and in those times preceding the embargo, so lucrative to merchants and ship owners, acquired a great fortune. He left a large portion of it, to his favorite son Israel Jr., who built a splendid house in Beacon St., went into various trading adventures; became the proprietor of Cuba plantations; and in a very short time scattered and lost the wealth which his father had acquired and held with such careful tenacity.

Thorndike, John P. 150,000

Mason. A great builder.

Ticknor, George 200,000

The above is the only son of a retail grocer, a good sort of a man, who accumulated a fortune by long and careful attention to his business. George was educated at college, travelled, doubled his inheritance by marrying a daughter of the late Sam. Eliot, and was appointed professor of modern languages at Cambridge, where for several years he delivered a course of lectures on the modern languages and literature. He has not, we believe, appeared in print, though regarded, by a certain set, as an oracle in literature, and at the head of the most refined and *recherche* aristocracy, with quite too much contempt for democracy ever to dirty his fingers with a ballot. Still he finds the downy pillows of luxurious indolence heavy and hard, and the possession of wealth and leisure no guaranty against the blue devils.—Heigh-ho!

Tilden, Joseph 150,000
Merchant.

Tisdale, Mace 150,000
Head of a rich shoe and leather house.

Topliff, Samuel 100,000
Has realized a handsome estate out of the Merchants' Reading Room.

Torrey, Samuel 150,000
Merchant. His father, John Torrey, was a merchant before him.

Torrey, J. G. 100,000
Brother of the above. President of the Columbian Bank.

Townsend, Eliza } 200,000
Townsend, Mary }

Unmarried daughters of the late Isaac Townsend.

Train, Samuel 150,000

Train, Enoch. 150,000
Nephew of the foregoing. Proprietor of the line of Liverpool packet ships. Resides at Medford.

Trull, Ezra 150,000
Distiller.

Trull, John W. 250,000
Distiller.

These persons we believe have retired from the distilling business, which they have turned over to the hands of younger members of the family, by whom it is still carried on upon a large scale. Such is the force of public sentiment, that notwithstanding the lucrative character of that business, scarcely a person can be found willing to endure the odium of being a distiller any longer than a voracious appetite for money makes absolutely essential. That appetite appeased, they all hasten to drop the business, at least nominally.

Tuckerman, Sophia 100,000
Widow of Edward Tuckerman, and a daughter of old Samuel Parkman, from whom she inherited a large property.

Tuckerman, William, heirs. 300,000
Children of the foregoing.

Tudor, Frederic 150,000
His father was a long time clerk of the courts in this county, once a very lucrative office. His grandfather was also a lawyer. Mr. Tudor is the inventor of the export ice business, now carried on so extensively from Boston and elsewhere, by which he has realized a large property, notwithstanding his losses by coffee and other speculations. The inhabitants of the tropics ought to hold him in grateful remembrance; indeed he ought to be considered a public benefactor here, also, for having given a mercantile value to an abundant and before useless article. He is a brother of the late William Tudor, author of the "Life of James Otis," and some other works.

Tyler, John 100,000
Auctioneer and commission merchant.

U.

Upham, Phineas 500,000

V.

Vose, Elijah 100,000
Resides at Dorchester. Formerly a hardware dealer. A very zealous member of the Horticultural Society.

Vose, Josiah 150,000

W.

Wales, Thomas B. 400,000

At the head of one of our largest mercantile houses. He made himself conspicuous some years ago, in opposition to the "fifteen gallon law," so called, enacted by the friends of temperance for the suppression of grogshops, but injurious to his interests as an importer of brandy.

Walley, Samuel H., as trustee 100,000

The above, by marrying a daughter of the late William Phillips, [see Phillips, Jonathan,] obtained command of a large capital, and his high reputation for piety gave him an unlimited credit with orthodox widows and orphans; among whom his failure, some twenty years ago, spread tremendous dismay. His father-in-law at his death, made a liberal provision both for him and his children; but the property was left in trust, so that it did not avail any thing to the creditors. Samuel H. Walley, Jr., speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, is one of these children.

Ward, Thomas W. 300,000

Of Salem origin. Treasurer of Harvard College and Boston agent of the London house of the Barings. Joshua Bates, now the leading active partner of that house, was himself a Boston boy, who has risen by his energy and industry to be the head of one of the first commercial houses in the world.

Ward, Artemas 200,000

Now a very old man. Son of Gen. Ward, the first major-general in the revolutionary army, who had the command of the troops before Boston previous to the arrival of Washington. The above commenced practice as a lawyer, about the time of Shay's rebellion, when the lawyers used to ride the circuits with pistols in their pockets. He was afterwards a representative from Boston in the Congress of the U. States, and for many years chief justice of the Court of Common Pleas.

Ward, Joseph W. 100,000

Of the firm of Henshaw, Ward & Co., and brother-in-law of David Henshaw.

Ware, John 100,000

A physician. Son of the late Rev. Dr. Ware of Cambridge, well known as a champion of Unitarianism. Dr. John has acquired his property by his practice, which is extensive.

Warren, John C. 300,000

The most eminent surgeon in New England if not in America. His father was also an eminent surgeon before him—attached to the revolutionary army, and professor of surgery and anatomy in the Boston Medical College. The talent seems to be hereditary in the family, as a son of the above, John Mason Warren, seems likely to succeed to and to fill his father's place.

Dr. Warren inherited property from his father; and his first wife, one of the numerous daughters of Jonathan Mason, was also an heiress. He married not long since a second wife, Miss Winthrop, sister

of the representative from Boston. His practice has been lucrative and his investments good.

Waterston, Robert 150,000
Of the firm of Waterston, Pray & Co.

Welch, Francis 100,000
President of the Franklin Insurance Co.

Weld, Wm. F. 100,000
Commission merchant, Central wharf.

Weld, Daniel 100,000
Wholesale grocer, South Market street.

Welles, Benjamin 300,000
Son of a Boston merchant, who left a handsome estate, and brother of the late eminent banker of the same name at Paris.

Welles, John 700,000
Cousin of the foregoing. Acquired his property by inheritance, business and marriage.

Weston, Ezra, }
Weston, G. B. } 300,000
Weston, A. B. }

Merchants and partners. Sons of the late Ezra Weston of Duxbury, who had the reputation of being the largest ship owner in the world.

Wheeler, Benjamin 100,000

Wheelwright, Caroline 100,000

White, Benjamin F. 100,000

White, William S. 150,000

Whitney, Joseph 150,000
Shoes and leather.

Whitney, Wm. F. 100,000
Druggist. Of the late firm of Delano & Whitney.

Wigglesworth, Thomas 600,000
A successful merchant, who has acquired a large property in the India trade. His grandfather and father were successively Hollis professors of divinity in Harvard College.

Williams, John D. 1,000,000
Has acquired this great property in the lucrative wine trade, of which the profits have been judiciously invested in real estate.

Williams, Moses 500,000
Brother of the foregoing, and this partner in the wine trade. He has covered himself with immortal honor, as the leader of the combined host of wine sellers and distillers, who, after a ten years' campaign, (equal

to the siege of Troy,) have succeeded in driving the Rev. John Pierpont from the Hollis Street pulpit.

Williams, Samuel K. 100,000
A lawyer.

Willis, Benjamin 150,000

Willis, Stillman 100,000
Formerly a jeweller. Retired from business.

Winchester, Wm. P. 500,000
Of the firm of E. A. & W. Winchester, provision dealers. His father made a great fortune in the butchering business, which fortune he has inherited and augmented. He too, if we mistake not, has gloriously served his country as captain of the Cadets.

Winthrop, Robert 200,000
Son of the late Lieut. Gov. Thomas L. Winthrop, and descended from John Winthrop, first governor of the colony of Massachusetts Bay, through his son John Winthrop, Jr., governor of Connecticut, and his grandson Waitstill Winthrop, a judge of the Superior Court, whose mother was a daughter of Hugh Peters, once minister of Salem, and afterwards chaplain to Cromwell, and hung for high treason. The above, though a young man, has been for several years representative in Congress from the city of Boston, in which place he acquits himself with honor. He was for some years speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

Wolcott, J. H. 100,000
Of the stock of the Connecticut Wolcotts. A partner in the house of A. & A. Lawrence & Co.

Wright, Winslow 100,000
Of the firm of Wright, Priest & Co., merchants, India wharf.

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